

[54] TOUCH CONTROL SYSTEM FOR USE WITH
A DISPLAY PANEL OR OTHER TOUCH
CONTROLLED DEVICE

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[57] ABSTRACT

Apparatus for use in a touch control system capable of recognizing touch positions along a predetermined coordinate axis on a touch surface comprises a substrate having such a surface that is capable of propagating surface acoustic waves and is so characterized that a touch thereon causes a perturbation of a surface wave propagating through the region of the touch. An input transducer coupled to that surface launches a multiplicity of different frequency SAW's along a first path on the surface. A dispersive array of SAW reflective elements formed along a first path on the substrate surface derives a plurality of different frequency wave components from the launched SAW. Each derived component is reflected from a different location along the array. The components are directed across the touch surface in a progression of paths transverse to and intersecting the coordinate axis so that each path corresponds to a component of a predetermined different frequency-CODE 13TS.

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